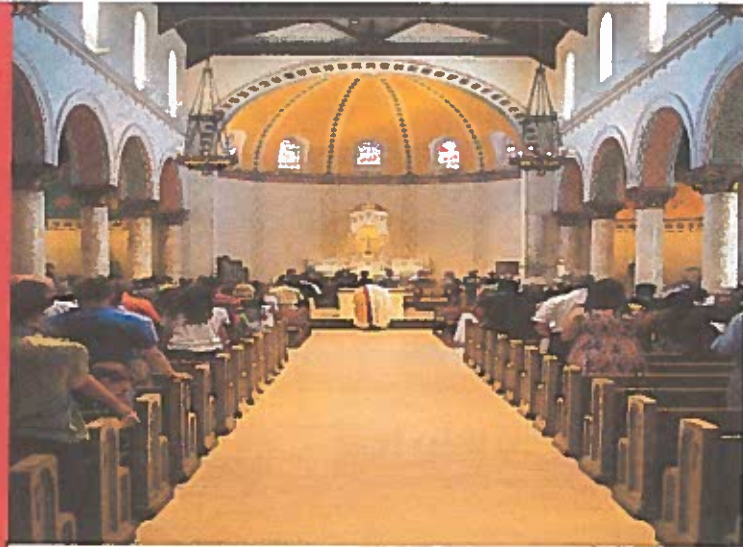


This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday,	Jan 7
Readings:	1 Jn 5:5-13
All Day	Epiphany
8:00 a.m.	Mass/Children around the World
8:00 a.m.	Confirmation Retreat
9:15 a.m.	RE K-8
11 a.m.	Baptism—Presby
12:00 p.m.	Rosary Group
1:30 p.m.	Soup Kitchen #1
8:00 a.m.	Mass/First Responders
11:00a.m.	Mass/People of Sacred Heart
Monday,	Jan 8
Readings:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7
7:00	J&P Meeting
7:30 p.m.	Centering Prayer in the Chapel
Tuesday,	Jan 9
Readings:	1 Sm 1:9-20
5:30 p.m.	No Daily Mass
Wednesday,	Jan 10
Readings:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20
5:30 p.m.	No Daily Mass
6:00 p.m.	No Eucharist Adoration
Thursday,	Jan 11
Reading	1 Sm 4:1-11
7:00 p.m.	RCIA
7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday,	Jan 12
Reading	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a
12:00 p.m.	No Daily Mass
Saturday,	Jan 13
Readings:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a
All Day	Haiti Dinner Ticket Sales
4:30 p.m.	No Reconciliation
5:30 p.m.	Mass/
5:30 p.m.	Luettel Baptism
Sunday,	Jan 14
Readings:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19
All Day	Haiti Dinner Ticket Sales
8:00 a.m.	Mass/People of Sacred Heart
10:00 am	Choir Practice
11:00 am	Mass
12:00 pm	Rosary Group
12:00 am	Baptism Preparation
1:30 p.m.	Soup Kitchen #2
4:00 p.m.	Contemporary Music Practice



Mark Your Calendars

For Upcoming Sacred Heart Events

Diocesan 2nd Collection Respect Life.....Jan 20
Haiti Dinner.....Jan. 27

Service Members of Our Parish

We pray for members of our parish who are serving overseas, as well as their families.

John Matchett, Thomas Van de Castle,
Nancy Lacore , Dillon Scherger, Anthony DiMuzio

Michael Schaefer, Dave Gomez,
Nathan Clark, Chad Luettel

If you would like to add or remove a name from this list, contact us at:

Pastoral Care

We Pray for our sick and those in need of our prayers.

Gabriel's parish, Mary Lou McPhaul, Dan Reeves,
Dr. Sal Barr, Kara Cusano,
Bernice Van Aalten, Erwin & Ellen Schoepf,
Bob Morton, Eileen Powell, Walter Marshall,
Chris Kennedy, Andrew Wilcox, Terry Kelly,
Peter Callo, Alan Morton, Edie White,
James McMally, Linda Mathews, Gail Anthony,
Sebastian Bonaiuto, Elizabeth Von Tersch ,
Ann Hennelly & Betsy Murray
Sue Sonstrom, Calvin Hoffler,

January 7, 2018 The Epiphany of the Lord

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." What a wonderful example the Magi give us in their visit to the infant Jesus. First of all, they demonstrate profound faith in God's word, spoken through the prophet Micah: "And you, Bethlehem ... from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel" (cf. 5:2). Embarking on a long and difficult journey, they trust that they will find this newborn king of the Jews in Bethlehem as the prophecy announced.

On their arrival at the home of the Holy Family, the Magi also give us an example of profound humility. These important men, to whom kings look for guidance and advice, do not hesitate to bow down, to "prostrate themselves" and give homage to a tiny babe. Putting their own position out of their minds, they reverently worship the infant Lord even as he sits on the lap of his mother.

The generosity of these three "kings" is also evident as they open their treasure boxes and give to the poor child the richest of gifts. Traditionally, we understand the gold to symbolize the earthly kingship of Christ, the frankincense to represent his divinity, and the myrrh to stand as a symbol of the anointing he will receive upon his death.

Finally, the wisdom of these men is evident in their decision to return to their country "by another way." Understanding the threat that King Herod posed to Jesus, they followed a plan that would help keep the divine child safe even though it meant inconvenience to themselves. Faith, humility, generosity, and wisdom. These gifts are the real legacy of the Three Kings. Today, let us ask God for the blessing of having these gifts in our lives.



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus came for everyone. No one has an exclusive claim on Christ and his birth not only transcends time and space but earthly boundaries as well. Every human being is a child of God. Jews and Gentiles alike are all coheirs, partners and members of the same body. This insight or epiphany is what we celebrate today. It also expresses our hope that one day every nation on earth will recognize and adore Jesus Christ. Jesus' message of peace, justice, reconciliation and love are meant for everyone to hear and understand.

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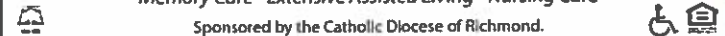
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The Epiphany of The Lord-January 7, 2018

Welcome!

Rosary
Prayed every Sunday
following the 11 a.m. Mass.

Registration of New Parishioners
Registration will be **Sunday Jan 28, 12:15 p.m.** in **Room 305**. Contact parish office at 625-6763 or office@sacredheartnorfolk.org

Sacramental Preparation
For more information, contact Amy Woods at 625-6763 or amy@sacredheartnorfolk.org.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound
If you know someone who desires a visit, contact the parish office at 625-6763 or office@sacredheartnorfolk.org.

Prayer Chain Ministry
Contact Susan Daniel with prayer requests at 436-2324 or susdan@me.com

RCIA at Sacred Heart
If you are an adult and would like to explore the Catholic way of life, our RCIA group meets **every Thursday at 7 p.m.** Contact Amy Woods at 625-6763 or amy@sacredheartnorfolk.org.

Sacred Heart Young Adults Group (21+)
For information about the young adult scripture discussions and monthly socials. Contact Elizabeth at youngadults@sacredheartnorfolk.org



Our Mission

We, the diverse Catholic community of Sacred Heart, are called to act as disciples of Jesus, respecting the dignity of all, through our Word, Worship, Community and Service.

Parish Office Hours
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Fri: 9 a.m.-Noon

Nursery Hours-
Sunday 11:00 am Mass-

Mass Schedule
Reconciliation.....4:30 p.m.
Saturday.....5:30 p.m.
Sunday..... 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule
Tuesday.....5:30 p.m.
Wednesday.....5:30 p.m.
Wednesday- Eucharist Adoration..... 6:00 p.m.
Friday.....12:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

Rev. Paul Muyimbwa.....*Pastor*
Amy Woods.....*Director of Religious Education*
Dr. James Gallatin.....*Music Director*
Neil Walsh.....*Director of Social Ministry*
Leanne Besachio....*Faith Formation Admin. Assistant*
Diana Kreider.....*Parish Admin. Assistant*
Calvin Hoffler.....*Maintenance Technician*
Andrew Buckles.....*Bookkeeper*

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Parish News and Events

Fr. Paul will be away January 8th thru January 25th

There will no Daily Mass during his absence.
There will be no Reconciliation on January 13th, 2018.

Father Charles Smiech will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Fr. Kuhnemann will be the presider for January 20-21.

Ticket Lottery for Jan. 12 Bishop Installation Mass

Parishioners, students and educators hoping to participate in the joy and excitement of the Jan. 12 Mass of Installation for the Catholic Diocese of Richmond's new Bishop Barry C. Knestout now have a chance to secure admission to the special Mass by entering a lottery. Seating for the 2 p.m. event at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart will be extremely limited so the faithful are encouraged to enter the drawing for admission tickets by completing the online form here:

<http://richmonddiocese.org/installation-mass-details/>

The last day to enter the drawing is Friday, December 29, 2017. The drawing will be held in early January with two tickets awarded to each selected registrant. Those selected will have 48 hours to respond before the tickets are released to alternates.



This weekend will be the final weekend of the Parish Pledge Drive.

A pledge form is available in the pews or at the welcome desk in the commons.
Please drop your completed pledge form in the offertory basket at Mass or in the box provided at the welcome desk in the commons.

Parish Financial Monthly Report

Email Address for the Parish Finance

Council. If you have any questions for the Parish Finance Council, you may send an email to PFC@sacredheartnorfolk.org.

Donate Stock to Sacred Heart! Did you know you can donate stock to Sacred Heart Church? When you do so, you can itemize a tax deduction for the fair market value of the stock when you donate it. Also, if that stock has appreciated, you will not have to pay capital gains tax on the gain. Most importantly, you will provide a well-needed and appreciated gift to the parish (pun intended). Please send an email to pfc@sacredheartnorfolk.org for the details on how to make the gift.

Parish News and Events

Christmas Book



Don't forget to pick up a copy next weekend of your Christmas gift from the parish... *Perfectly Yourself*.

Do you ever get the feeling that you are not enough? Not smart enough, not beautiful enough, not loved enough, not rich enough, not good enough . . . We all have these feelings from time to time, usually because we're comparing ourselves to others. But God doesn't compare you to anybody else. He wants to help you become the person he created you to be—perfectly yourself!

In this life-changing book, Matthew Kelly addresses the opportunities and obstacles we encounter when we decide to ask life's BIG questions: who am I? and why am I here? Newly revised with an emphasis on spiritual growth and realizing God's dream for your life, *Perfectly Yourself* is a book for anyone who has survived the collapse of a relationship, wondered if he or she would ever find a fulfilling career, or failed at a diet. Kelly teaches us how to find the balance between accepting ourselves and striving to become all God dreams for us to become. This is the guide you need if you long to be at peace with who you are, where you are, and what you are doing, not in some distant tomorrow, but here and now—today.

New Office Hours start January 1, 2018

Monday - Diana's Office Closed
Tuesday - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Religious Education

NO Religious Education

Remember **NO** morning Religious Education classes on Sunday, January 14. It is service weekend and all are asked to go and DO for someone.

Youth Council will meet on Sunday, January 14 starting with 8 a.m.

Attention High School Teens

Our next High School Meeting will be on Saturday, January 20 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Church History 101 (repeated)

Have you ever wanted to know a little more about the development of the Church? Here is your chance. Amy Woods will offer a 5-week course on Church History 101 on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. starting January 17. This will be a great opportunity to get an overview of how the Church has developed and changed over the last 200 years. There is no cost and all are welcome. Contact Amy Woods at amy@sacredheartnorfolk.org to sign up.

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Justice and Peace



Save the Date:

9th Parish Haiti Cultural Dinner, Sat. Jan. 27th

The Haiti Twinning Ministry invites you and your family to a delicious family style dinner and silent auction, Sat., Jan. 27th, 6:30 pm-9:00 pm. The Sacred Heart's teen will serve the guests. Fr. Ady Mytial, Pastor at our twin parish, St. Gabriel will be the Guest of Honor. There will be live music, and dancers from St. Mary Basilica will perform. This dinner and the silent auction will benefit the dedicated teachers at St. Gabriel. Tickets will be available before and after Masses two weeks prior the dinner, \$25/ person or \$55/family up to Jan. 21 or when at capacity. The silent auction will be on display one week prior this fun event.

Dear Sacred Heart brothers and sisters,

I wish to congratulate you for your new Shepherd, Bishop Barry C. Knestout. May The Holy Spirit guide him always in his so great mission. It has been a very special year for us. Together, we realized many important projects: the opening of the school cafeteria in March; the completion of the second floor of the cafeteria building with three additional classrooms in October. We are grateful to know you are currently helping us outfitting one of the new classrooms. At the St Gabriel School, the students are very happy and their dedicated teachers also. All the parishioners know about your considerable support to realize so much in the way of education and nutrition for their children in Lascahobas, Haiti. You can count on our constant prayers for many blessing for you and your families. May Christmas bring you joy, peace and renewed force to continue doing what you have been doing so well.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I hope to see you all at the Haiti Dinner, on Jan. 27th.

Sincerely, Fr Ady MYTIAL, the Pastor of St Gabriel Parish.

Community

Waging Peace in a Broken World -Tuesday, January 9, 2018 7 – 8:30 p.m. Greer Environmental Sciences Center, Virginia Wesleyan University.

Paul K. Chappell - a West Point graduate, former Army captain, and Iraq war veteran - focuses on the importance of our being as well-trained in waging peace as soldiers are in waging war. On this evening he will focus on the root causes of violence, the anatomy of trauma, the ways to create solutions that heighten peace in individual lives, communities, nations, and the world. Chappell is the Peace Leadership Director at the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation.